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SATURDAY, APRIL 20, 1912.

Fire Matters.

Councilman Unangst, chairman of the fire committee, reported at the Town Council meeting Monday night that a team of horses had been purchased for the chemical wagon at a cost of \$650. The horses, Mr. Unangst said, had been examined by a veterinary surgeon and pronounced in good condition. Pending the erection of a stable in the rear of Central firehouse the horses are being boarded in Thomas H. Decker's livery stable. As soon as the new chemical wagon is officially accepted, the horse wagon used by Phoenix Hose Company, he said, would be sent to Montgomery company's house and the "jumper" transferred from Montgomery to Brookdale Hose Company.

Mr. Unangst said that it would be necessary to engage a permanent man as driver for the chemical wagon team. The team, he said, was a spirited one and would need a good and skillful driver. For daily exercise the horses, he said, could be used to draw a sprinkling wagon on the streets within a reasonable radius of the firehouse.

Mr. Unangst also submitted the plans for the enlargement of Montgomery Hose house.

Louis Ellor of Active Hose Company, No. 2, and Albert Loppacker of Essex Truck Company, were granted exemption certificates.

The fire committee was authorized to purchase supplies for the fire alarm system.

Assemblyman Beard's Statement.

A letter from Assemblyman William M. Beard was read by Town Clerk Davis at the Town Council meeting Monday night, and in which Mr. Beard acknowledged the receipt of a very courteous letter from the council and thanked the council for the expression of appreciation.

"Mr. Seymour P. Gilbert of your town," Mr. Beard said, "worked as hard as I not harder than any one for the passage of the bill, and his co-operation and efforts have been greatly appreciated."

"As to passing the bill over the veto of the governor, I have tried very hard to obtain enough votes to accomplish this object. It would be necessary for me, however, to obtain six or seven Democratic votes in the House, and this I doubt my ability to accomplish, in view of the fact that I understand the Democrats have practically agreed to stand by the governor in his vetoes. While the matter may seem somewhat of a narrow view on their part, consideration, however, must be given to the fact that it has been some sixteen or seventeen years since any bill was passed in New Jersey over the veto of the governor."

No Change in Election Districts.

Town Clerk Raymond P. Davis has been requested by the State Civil Service Commission to advise that body as to whether the governing body of this municipality has, as provided for in the laws of 1911, made the examination of the registry list in each election district to determine whether it will be necessary to readjust the election districts, and if so whether such readjustment of district lines has been found necessary since the election of November 7, 1911, and been ratified by an ordinance of the governing body.

"In view of the necessity of appointing election officers to act in such districts at the coming Presidential primary it will probably be necessary that special examinations be held by the Civil Service Commission at an early date for eligibles for appointment in their districts."

The town clerk's reply to the Civil Service Commission was to the effect that the results of the November election showed no necessity for any change in election districts in this town.

High Grade Improvements.

Councilman George Hummel, chairman of the road committee, introduced resolutions at the Town Council meeting Monday night for the improvement of Lackawanna place and Molter place. The specifications for paving of these streets call for an asphalt concrete, tar bound or asphalt bound. The council fixed Monday evening, May 6, as the date for a hearing on the resolutions. The specifications are what are known as "open" specifications, and under which all makers of asphalt and concrete roads can bid.

Mr. Albinson of the sidewalk committee also introduced resolutions for concrete sidewalk, curb and gutter in the same streets. Mr. Hummel said that the road committee would start road repair work next Monday, beginning with Newark avenue. The superintendent of public works, Mr. Hummel said, would also start street cleaning work at once.

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High School Athletics.

Captain "Viv" Cady has had the baseball team practicing the last two weeks, and if the playing of this short period is any sort of a criterion, the High School will have a very successful season on the diamond. Besides a half a dozen veterans, there is an abundance of new material. Canfield and Wettgen, formerly of Cedar Grove High School, are showing up real good. Canfield plays well at second base, while Wettgen is a promising candidate for either first base or pitcher. Another boy, who is showing some class is Myers, who used to play first base on the Centre School team. Lohr, another one of the new candidates, is making a strong bid for third base. He has a good batting eye and also is very clever in picking up grounders. Sternberger is trying hard to land an outfield position, which he probably will do, if he keeps up his clever work.

The first game will be played April 24 with Glen Ridge High School. The game will probably be played on the Broughton Field Club field.

Marian G. Stone, '14, was elected captain of next year's girls' basketball team. Miss Stone is but a sophomore now, and has played two years on the team in the position of left forward. The girls' team will lose two players by graduation, Miss Martha Johnson and Miss Reba H. Whiteman. Both were very good players and the vacant positions will be hard to fill.

Benjamin Winner, Bloomfield High School '11 and Yale, '15, visited the school last week. Winner was a member of this year's Yale freshmen basketball team. He played right forward, the position which he played on Bloomfield High School last year.

"Another visitor was Mahlon Miliken, '08, and Rutgers, '15. Miliken at present is playing left field on the Rutgers College nine."

Pig Chase.

There was an exciting pig chase at the Centre yesterday which only ended after the animal had dashed through Glenwood and Bloomfield avenues and Washington street and down an alley, where it was cornered in an outhouse and recaptured after a struggle. The porker was full of fight, as well as covered with mud, and Peter Egan, who was the first to get hold of him, was a sight to behold, his clothing being ruined.

The pig had been brought from John Hyde's place in Brookdale by Hyde's son, John, and it got away from the latter at the fountain in the Centre. Several men and boys joined in the chase, and it was some chase. The pig turned about several times and ran between the legs of the pursuers, upsetting them in the mud.

Won Popular Teacher's Contest.

Miss Ethel Smith, supervisor of penmanship in the schools of this town, received the greatest number of votes in the Newark Star "Popular Teacher Contest." Miss Smith got 9898 votes and her nearest competitor, Brother Flavian of St. James School, Newark, 8489 votes. A trip to Bermuda is the privilege of the winner of the contest.

Miss Smith, the winner in this county, has been among the leaders for several weeks past, but her success is due to the tremendous vote received for her from every section of Newark, and other cities as well, during the last few hours of the contest. She was born at Bloomsbury, N. J., and educated in the public schools there, and finished her education at East Stroudsburg, Pa. She has taught in the public schools of this town for the past seven years, during the last year holding the position of supervisor.

Mormon Missions.

Mormon missions in the Watessing section and in Newark were told of by Mrs. Stewart Young at the Woman's Missionary meeting of the First Baptist Church, Montclair, Tuesday afternoon.

Mrs. Young remarked that persons averse to the principles of Mormonism attended the missions merely for the sake of hearing interesting lectures.

Semi-Annual Meeting.

The semi-annual meeting of the Essex County Building and Loan Association was held Tuesday night, and a new series of stock (the 4th) opened. Several hundred shares were subscribed. A semi-annual financial statement was issued.

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Base-Ball.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE CITIZEN: Sir—In your issue of April 13 is another slur against the Bloomfield Baseball Club, signed under an assumed title of "A Fan," his own name apparently not being considered proper for the production. With other mis-statements he attacks Mr. Orrin C. Dodd in the same slurring manner. No one at all familiar with the circumstances would take the statement seriously of the self-styled fan. But there are those in town unacquainted with the facts who may be prejudiced unjustly by the unwarranted and false presentation of the misnamed writer.

In the year of 1904 Mr. Dodd was persuaded (much against his judgment and will) to take the management of the Bloomfield Baseball Club. It is a matter of record that the team so formed proved to be second to none in the State. "Fan" probably is unaware of the fact that Mr. Dodd's management was carried on at a great loss personally, both in time and expense, just what this amounted to no one has been able to find out.

In justice to Mr. Dodd I will state facts that came under my own observation. When the owners of the Williamson avenue oval decided to sell the grounds, Mr. Dodd realizing that the club would be broken up, purchased the property and gave the use of it, not only to the team, but to the town itself, displaying a public spirit that "Fan" instead of criticizing should duplicate and subject himself to statements of a like character.

The grounds, every one knows, was used by the High School and the town celebrations—but may not be aware of the fact that they were used without compensation. In fact, were it not for the heavy taxes and assessments levied on the property, they would have remained as they were, one of the best sites in town for the purpose of public enjoyment.

The club furnished clean baseball. The grounds were always conducted in a manner that was entirely praiseworthy. If there were more gentlemen like Mr. Dodd and less politics and disgruntled fans, Bloomfield would be the gainer.

There is a possibility that the club will retain its organization, its future depends on the support it receives from the people who appreciate its efforts.

WILLIAM P. BURDET.

Second Ward Park.

Henry Baechlin, the landscape architect engaged by the Town Council to lay out the Second ward park located on the plot bounded by Bay avenue, Morris place, Franklin avenue and Broad street, has completed his work and a map of the park will be placed in the hands of Councilman Frederick Sadler next Monday, and it will be at Mr. Sadler's home, 51 Baldwin street, until the next meeting of the Town Council, when it will be submitted to that body for their consideration. Sadler extends an invitation to all residents of the Second ward to call at his home and inspect the plans and he is desirous that they should do so and give him the benefit of any suggestions they may have. It is understood that no extraordinary expense is to be incurred in laying out the park, and the work will be done by town employees.

Death of George Rhoades.

George Rhoades, a retired farmer, died at his home, 218 Bloomfield avenue, Sunday. Dropsy, following a complication of ailments, caused his death. Mr. Rhoades had lived in this town the greater part of his eighty-one years. He was a member of the Watessing Methodist Church. Besides Mrs. Rhoades he is survived by two sons, George and Charles Rhoades, and one daughter, Mrs. Harry Baker. The funeral was held Wednesday afternoon and conducted by Rev. J. William Ryder, former pastor of the Watessing Church, but now of East Orange, and Rev. Berryman McCoy of Watessing.

Mosquito Warfare.

War plans are under way for the extermination of the mosquitoes in Essex county and the County Mosquito Extermination Commission has organized.

At a meeting Saturday the following officers and salaries were decided upon: Secretary, salary not to exceed \$1,800 a year; chief inspector, salary not to exceed \$1,800; clerk at \$75 a month. In addition four deputy chief inspectors at salaries of \$100 a month, forty-three inspectors at \$3 a day.

Glen Ridge Notes.

Miss Jessie S. Nichols of New York, whose marriage to Frederick Billings of New York will take place to-day, was the guest for the week-end of Mr. and Mrs. H. P. Nichols of Clark street.

Weightman Edwards who spent the Easter vacation with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Edwards of Ridgewood avenue, has returned to Cornell.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert S. Shotwell of Haverstraw, N. Y., were the guests Sunday of Mr. and Mrs. George Shotwell of Hillside avenue.

Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Orvis Church, whose marriage took place last week, are at "The Homestead," Virginia Hot Springs.

H. W. Taylor and family of Lincoln street, leave next week for Detroit, where they will make their home.

Rev. Warren Nevius of Attica, N. Y., and Harold N. Nevius of Red Bank, were the guests over Sunday of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Theodore M. Nevius of Ridgewood avenue.

Miss Alice Kelley of Rudd court, who has been spending the Easter holidays with her parents, has returned to Eton Hall, Torresdale, Pa.

Mrs. C. L. Jacobson of Ridgewood avenue, is spending a few days in Washington.

Mrs. Nelson M. Chitterling of Woodland avenue, has gone to Boston for a few days.

The Young People's Society of the Glen Ridge Congregational Church will present the two-act farce, "A Box of Monkeys," in the parlors of the church, April 26. The cast will include Miss Mildred Byron, Miss Ruth Hunter, Miss Esther Cakes, Dwight Murch and Francis Smith. There will also be a musical program. The proceeds will be used to carry on the charitable work of the society.

F. D. Bell and family of Hillside avenue, moved Monday to their new home in Lincoln street.

Mr. and Mrs. Nathan B. Fitch who have been the guests of Mr. and Mrs. F. H. Schmidt of Ridgewood avenue, have returned to their home in New Haven.

Miss Alice Bartholomew who has been the guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Bartholomew of High street, has returned to New Haven.

Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Billings of Ridgewood avenue, will sail for Europe in June to remain several months. Mr. Billings will represent America in the trap shooting contests at the Olympic games.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Douglas Tryon, whose marriage took place last week at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. Milton Unangst of South Hillside avenue, have been spending their wedding trip at Old Point Comfort, Richmond and Washington.

Miss Daisy Moseley of Douglas road and Mrs. Agnes Clancey of Racine, Wis., who has been Miss Moseley's guest during the Easter holidays, has returned to Notre Dame College, Baltimore.

The Glen Ridge Civic Association held its annual meeting in the Glen Ridge Hall, Ridgewood avenue, last night.

The Senior Circle of King's Daughters held a monthly meeting, Tuesday afternoon in the parlors of the Glen Ridge Congregational Church. Miss Zip S. Falk, secretary of the League for Friendly Service of Glen Ridge and this town, told of the work being done by the league.

Mrs. Leonard T. Kendall of Snowden place, has moved to Flushing, Long Island.

Mrs. C. B. Marsh of Brooklyn has been the guest this week of Mrs. F. E. Kirby of Washington street.

Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Scheffer of Ridgewood avenue are spending a few days at the Mountain Lake Country Club, Pompton Plains.

The department of English literature of the Woman's Club of Glen Ridge met Thursday afternoon at the home of Mrs. George F. Brown, Jr., Franklin place. The subject was "Writers of the Present Time."

Mrs. G. De Witt Thornton of New York is the guest of her sister, Mrs. W. E. Smith of Hillside avenue.

Dr. Henry Wallace of Ridgewood avenue, entertained the Tuesday Evening Auction Bridge Club at her home.

Miss F. M. Belle Skeele of Woodland avenue, whose marriage to Chester R. Harris of East Orange will take place at the Glen Ridge Congregational Church to-night, entertained the bridal party at dinner at the Hotel Montclair last night.

The New England Society of Montclair and Glen Ridge entertained at the home of Mrs. F. M. Talbot, Hillside avenue, Thursday afternoon. The proceeds were for the benefit of the district nurse.

Mrs. William F. Beggs of Ridgewood avenue, entertained informally at bridge Wednesday afternoon.

Mrs. John W. Sands of Douglas road, entertained the Wednesday Five Hundred Club.

Mrs. Charles W. Paleston, who has been the guest of her mother, Mrs. C. A. Searing of Ridgewood avenue, left this week for her home in Bonner, Mont.

Break in Sewer.

Three breaks in the Orange trunk sewer pipe, which runs along the bank of the Second river, were discovered by Councilman Frank J. Carragher of Belleville. The breaks are on the Newark side of the stream and the effluent from the pipe is running into the river.

Mr. Carragher telephoned to Mayor Seymour of Orange and his reply was that men would be sent to make repairs.

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Brief Notes.

Frank P. Delmar of Broad street will go to Bermuda next week.

Mrs. Thatcher H. Soule and Mrs. John C. Griffin are enjoying a stay in Atlantic City.

The remains of Charles Risley, a veteran of the Civil War, who died in the Mountsinde Hospital, Montclair, at the age of 65 years were taken to Manchester, Conn., yesterday for interment.

A fire in the cellar of the home of William Fellingier, 127 Willard avenue, Thursday night gave the firemen a run in the rain. The damage was \$50.

On Friday evening next, an entertainment will be given in the lecture room of the Glen Ridge Congregational Church by the Young People's Society of the church.

The Hamilton B. B. C. of this town defeated the Westinghouse Lamp Company Baseball Club Saturday by a score of 15 to 14. A feature of the game was the pitching of Jessmer of the Hamiltons, who also made two home runs.

Members of the Princeton Alumni Association of the Oranges and other

Princeton graduates Thursday night held a meeting and smoker at English's Hall, East Orange and listened to an address by Prof. McElroy.

Health Officer Dr. J. C. Saile, under instructions of the Board of Health, will soon begin war on the mosquitoes. It is planned to inspect the entire area of the town frequently for pools of standing water in which larvae can breed. To do this six special inspectors will be employed from now until fall. Where stagnant water is found the owner of the property will be notified to drain or fill in the place. If they fail to comply prosecutions will follow.

The Hamilton B. B. C., an aggregation of young men ranging from seventeen to eighteen years, would like to hear from amateur teams in Newark and vicinity. Communications should be addressed to P. P. Martin, manager, care of Rajah Auto Supply Company.

Baseball fans in the Brighton section of East Orange will have an opportunity to-day to see the Brightons in action. Manager Dykman has arranged a game with the Bay View Wheelmen to be played on the Brightons' ground. It will be the first baseball effort of the season for both teams.